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TAGS: PREL PHUM ZI
SUBJECT: MEDIA REPORT PARLIAMENT TO PASS TWO CONTROVERSIAL
BILLS TODAY; HARARE

ON JANUARY 9, THE RULING ZANU-PF PARTY USED ITS
PARLIAMENTARY MAJORITY TO SUSPEND PARLIAMENT'S STANDING
ORDERS AND RULES TO ALLOW TWO CONTROVERSIAL BILLS - THE
ACCESS TO INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVATE BILL AND
THE PUBLIC ORDER AND SECURITY BILL - TO BE TABLED BEFORE
THE HOUSE. ALTHOUGH MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT FROM THE
OPPOSITION MOVEMENT FOR DEMOCRATIC CHANGE ARE FIERCELY
CHALLENGING THE BILLS AT EVERY TURN, ZANU-PF MPS ARE
EXPECTED TO USE THEIR SIMPLE MAJORITY IN THE HOUSE TO PASS
THE TWO BILLS BY COB TODAY (JANUARY 10).

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